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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention provides a method and apparatus for the distribution of objects and the sending of messages between objects that are  
5 located in different processes. Initially, a "proxy" object is created in the same process as a sender object. This proxy acts as a local receiver for all objects in the local program. When the proxy receives a message, the message is encoded and transmitted between programs as a stream of bytes. In the remote process, the message is decoded and executed as if the sender was  
10 remote. The result follows the same path, encoded, transmitted, and then decoded back in the local process. The result is then provided to the sending object.